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1. The following weapons shipments from the USSR were observed crossing the border at Frankfurt/Oder: 20 boxcars from Brest to Gera with 35 guns of a caliber of between 150 to 180 mm on 2 November, and 45 to 49 flatcars with guns of a caliber of between 150 to 180 mm. on 9 November.
2. Twenty four-wheel armored personnel carriers, which were apparently new, were unloaded in Satzkorn on 11 November. A shipment with ten tanks, a boxcar with accessories and a boxcar with escorting personnel arrived in Satzkorn on 13 November. The tanks had the following features: five spoke bogie wheels, 85 mm. guns without muzzle brake, T-34 type chassis and front armor which appeared to be less slanted than that of the T-34 tank. The tanks had a height of about 2.5 meters.

Comment: These shipments may be the beginning of the return of the 20 trains with empty flatcars which had been dispatched to the USSR between 25 October and 3 November. The arrival of the guns in Gera has been confirmed.

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